# COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere. Ehrhardt Etchings.

Ehrhardt, March 14.—The Ehrhardt minstrel aggregation gave their first show last Thursday evening in Copeland's hall in the presence of a large audience, who thoroughly enjoyed the programme. This company is composed of home boys only, as follows: Messrs. Windel Ramsey, Dick Roberts, Haskel Hiers, S. C. Paysinger, Raleigh Kinard, Chas. Henerey and Harry Copeland; assisted by Miss Lalla Salley, pianist. All the boys appeared as negroes and their dancing, singing and jokes would have amused anyone in "Dixie Land." Supper was served in the Byrd and ushered into the parlor by hall immediately after the entertainment. Quite a sum of money was realized, which will be paid on the new piano at the Ehrhardt school au- acinths. After supper the guests ditorium.

nee Miss Mamie Ehrhardt, of Ehrhardt, came down last Thursday on a the crowd with their singing, accomfew days' visit to her old home.

Baptist church at Fairfax, was in en by Miss Mamie Paysinger, which town last Thursday giving hearty were much enjoyed. Selections were handshakes to his old friends.

the lucky shad fisherman, visited his sic rook was played. mother, Mrs. F. G. Lemacks, last week. Frank states that the weather has been too cold for fishing.

Mrs. Willie Bishop is having a nice dwelling house built in town, on the lower end of Madison street.

Mr. Kincaid, the popular photographer, who has been in town for the past week, left today for Varnville. Mrs. Wayne Copeland and Miss Ju-

lia Copeland spent last Thursday at Mrs. S. W. Copeland's. The Farmers & Merchants Bank i having a cement floor put in their

banking house. The old one was of wood and was breaking through in several places. Mr. J. D. Dannelly has begun haul

ing away the debris from his store which was destroyed by fire some time ago, preparing to rebuild. The base ball team seems to be

little slow about organizing. Why not get into shape so the "boys" can know their places on the diamond and get busy with that so much needed practice?

Mrs. Nard Carter, of Ruffin, and Mrs. Geo. McKenzie, of Ehrhardt, R F. D. No. 1, are visiting their mother, Mrs. Lemacks.

The farmers have at last decided to use some commercial fertilizer this year. A large amount has been hauled from here during the past ten days and is still on the move. JEF.

## Cope Cullings.

Cope, March 13 .- Mr. Stacey Kearse, of Ehrhardt, together with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O Kearse, of Olar, were over yesterday on a visit to Dr. and Mrs. T. M Stuckey.

Mr. Charles S. Henerey, of Ehr hardt, also came along with Mr Kearse in his auto and spent a few hours at home, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Henerey.

Mrs. H. H. Crosswell, of Bishopville, is here for a short stay with her brother, Dr. T. M. Stuckey.

# Ott's Outings.

Ott's, March 14.—Our little burg is still hustling; farmers are ready to plant corn-some are planting, oth ers are waiting for warmer weather. Dr. O. D. Faust and Prof. Klein

were visitors here last Sunday as the guests of Mr. C. C. Rowell. Mrs. W. M. McCue has been sick,

but has fully recovered.

Mr. L. D. Odom has been sick for the past few days, but is rapidly recuperating.

Miss Sylvester Odom, better known as "Aunt Sil," has been confined to her bed for several days with la grippe, but is up at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Spurlin, o Denmark, visited at the home of Mr and Mrs. L. D. Odom Sunday.

A number from here attended the unveiling of the late Dr. Henry Faust's monument at Denmark cemetery Sunday afternoon. There was a large crowd and the service was very impressive.

Mr. Henry Q. Jennings is in Bam- To praise the best in the worst of

berg this week.

now. The mill known as the Fox To mock at the faults in the best of Brothers' mill, from near Edisto, has been moved to the place of Mr. C. E. Sandifer. They have purchased Extol the good in both of us, all of Mr. Sandifer's timber.

## CHILD FATALLY BURNED.

Mother Also Injured in Attempt to Save Little Boy.

Sumter, March 11 .- Swinson Ray, 18 months' old, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Taylor, was burned to death this morning, when his clothing caught fire, while he and his twin brother were playing. Mrs. Taylor was in an adjoining room and ran to the rescue of the little fellow upon hearing his screams. She was badly burned about the hands in trying to extinguish the flames. The funeral services will be held at the residence tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

## Branchville Dramatic Club.

· Branchville, March 11.-Mrs. J. N. Byrd entertained the Branchville Dramatic club on Thursday evening at a three course supper. The guests were met at the door by Mrs. J. N. Mrs. J. S. Wimberly. Mrs. J. M. Byrd received in the dining room, which was decorated in ferns and hywere invited back to the parlor, Mrs. Prentis Griffin, of Bamberg, where Mrs. J. N. Byrd, Miss Marion Byrd and Peter Watson entertained panied on the piano by Miss Myrtle Rev. E. A. McDowell, pastor of the McHonaker, and recitations were givalso given by Miss Ruth Byrd and ly. Mr. Frank Lemacks, of Ashepoo, Miss Blanche Edwins. After the mu-

## Connor-Withington.

Branchville, March 11 .- A very pretty wedding was performed at the his sentence of sixty days in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Connor, Branchville, when their daughter, Miss Jennie Stokes Connor, became the bride of Capt. Harry Ogier Withington, a prominent young business man of Charleston.

Mrs. Withington is a young woman of many graces with attractive personality and has endeared herself to a large circle of friends throughout the State.

The colonial home was decorated for the occasion with Southern smilax and cut flowers. At 4 o'clock the bride, leaning on the arm of her sister, Miss Cora Connor, entered the parlor, where they were met at the altar of smilax by the bridegroom and his best man, W. R. Hillen, of Charleston.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. H. Graves, brother-inlaw of the bride, the ring ceremony being used. The bride was dressed in a dark blue traveling suit with hat and gloves to match, and carried a shower bouquet of bride roses. The maid of honor, Miss Cora Connor, sister of the bride, was dressed in a green charmeuse and carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley.

Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Withington left for Washington and New York and will, upon their return, reside in Charleston.

Among the out-of-town guests in attendance were Misses Julia, Lottie and Jennie Withington, of Charleston, Mrs. P. W. Sanders and little daughter, Margaret, Charleston; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Withington and son, Birmingham, Ala; Miss M. C. Thatcher, W. R. Hillen, Percy Ortman and Jas. S. Simmons, all of Charleston.

# Gave Him Donkey Orders.

An Irish drill sergeant was in structing some recruits in the mysteries of marching movements and found great difficulty in getting a countryman of his to halt when the command was given, says the Kansas City Star. After explaining and illustrating several times he approached the recruit, sized him up silently for a couple of minutes, then demanded his name.

"Fitzgerald, sor," was the reply. "Did you ever drive a donkey

Fitz?" "Yes, sor."

"What did you say when you wanted him to stop?"

"Whoa!"

The sergeant turned away and immediately put his squad in motion. After they had advanced a couple yards or so he bawled out at the top of his lungs: "Squad halt! Whoa,

### Fitzgerald!" A Paraphrase.

"There's so much good in the worst of us And so much bad in the best of us" That it best becomes the rest of us

Ott's can boast of two saw mills And ill becomes the worst of us

Then let the best and the worst of us, And hide the fault in the lot of us.

# IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

State News Boiled Down for Quick Reading.—Paragraphs About Men and Happenings.

York, is to be the principal speaker at exercises to be held in Charleston on March 17, in celebration of St. Patrick's day.

Mayor John F. Floyd, of Spartanburg, fined himself \$2.50 in police court last week because he had neglected to properly light the lamps on his automobile.

Governor Manning has wired the Anderson city council that he sees no necessity for a special session of Was Former U. S. Senator and Once the legislature account of the fire insurance situation.

Enos Rogers, of Marion, was convicted last week of manslaughter in connection with the killing of his nephew. He was sentenced to serve seven years in the penitentiary.

Orangeburg county plantation, shot ness. He was 95 years old. and killed Billie Sherman, colored, last week, following a dispute. The about a fortnight ago, while on a at current prices, necessitating the years was related by General J. S. negro pulled his pistol and began visit to his daughter, Mrs. Stephen most marked advances that the writ- Carr, of Durham, N. C., when he arshooting at the overseer when the B. Elkins, and on account of his ad- ing paper business has experienced in rived in New York from Honolulu latter fired twice, killing him instant- vanced age, was unable to withstand years.

C. H. Christopoulo, a Greek, of time ago of falsely representing his at Elkins, W. Va., home of the forcitizenship and illegally voting in a mer Senator. primary election, has begun serving Charleston county jail. He was also fined \$300.

Application has been filed in the superior court of Georgia for a charter for the Atlanta and Anderson Construction Co., capitalized \$100,000, with the privilege of increasing this sum to \$1,000,000. is said to be the intention of the incorporators to build a railroad from Anderson to Atlanta which will be affiliated with the Duke interurban from Anderson north.

John E. West, Baxter West, Arthur West, Sheppard and Luther West were found guilty Friday in the Chesterfield court of general sessions of riot. Each of the defendants were sentenced to pay a fine of \$150 or serve one year in prison. The trial occupied five days. The Wests were convicted of being involved in a riot at Pageland on March 12, 1915. During the melee two men were killed.

## FATALLY SHOOTS HIMSELF.

Le Grand C. Griswold Dies at Aiken From Wound Accidentally Inflicted.

Aiken, March 10 .- Mr. Le Grand C. Griswold, of New York city, accidentally shot himself with a doublebarrelled shotgun, while returning from a dove hunt on the farm of Mr. Richardson, six miles from Aiken. The injured man was rushed to the city and taken to the home of Dr. E. S. Cross, where surgical treatment was resorted to. Upon arrival at the office of the physician, the condition of Mr. Griswold was seen to be hopeless, as the wound was in the abdomen. The charge of the shotgun entered from the side, tearing a hole in the body and penetrating the abdominal cavity. Mr. Griswold regained consciousness just before reaching the city, but immediately lapsed into a state of coma, from conditions to obtain a change of which he never revived, sinking rapidly until the end came at o'clock. The dove drive had been gant or defendant would be able to organzied by Mr. Oakleigh Thorne obtain such a change of venure unfor the entertainment of friends, der the terms of the act making among whom was Mr. Griswold. The party had just finished a successful hunt and were on the way to the about, will the courts in any of the waiting automobiles, laughing and counties affected by this legislation exchanging congratulations, and Mr. have authority to try cases at all Griswold seemed to be one of the during the present year?" most animated men of the party. He It seems that the points raised in this information we believe you will been admitted to the bar, but never colony. Mr. Griswold leaves a wife rious.—Spartanburg Journal. and two children.

## Only Her Husband.

Mrs. Atkins, dissatisfied with the number of times one man came to see her cook, spoke to her about it. "When I engaged you, Martha," she said, "you told me you had no man friends. Now whenever I come into the kitchen I find the same man here.'

"Bress yo', ma'am," smiled Martha, "dat niggah ain't no frien' ob

"No friend?. Then who is he?" "He's ma husban'."

# IN BEHALF OF NEWSPAPERS.

Bill to Repeal Law Requiring Circulation Statements.

Washington, March 11.-Senator Bankhead, of Alabama, chairman of the postoffice committee, today introduced and had referred to his committee a bill to repeal the law requiring editors, publishers and owners of newspapers, magazines Hon. W. Bourke Cochran, of New and periodicals to file with the postmaster general every six months sworn statements of names of editors, owners, stockholders, securities and, in the case of newspapers, sworn statements of average circu-

> lation. Senator Bankhead said he was acting on his own initiative in behalf of the small country newspapers.

#### HENRY G. DAVIS DEAD.

Presidential Candidate.

United States Senator Henry Gassaway Davis, of West Virginia, presidential candidate on the Parker and rag packers to make adequate Democratic ticket in 1904, died here deliveries on existing contracts forced Edward Weimus, overseer on an at 1:45 a. m. today, after a brief ill- writing paper mills making the high-

the attack.

Charleston, who was convicted some completed today. Interment will be them and utilize them as a base for how he had spent \$100,000 in law

#### Is It Legal.

Francis F. Carroll, a lawyer of Bamberg, has raised the point that the circuit created at the recent session of the legislature is illegal because it will deprive certain persons of their constitutional rights. Section 2 of article 6 of the constitution of the State provides that either party to a suit in the circuit court shall have the right to a change of venue whenever it can be shown to the court that a fair and impartial trial cannot be had in the county where the trial or action has been commenced or offence has been committed. The same section further provides that where a change of venue is ordered the trial must be had in a county in the same judicial district.

"Now," asks Mr. Carroll, "how can a change of venue be ordered and the trial held in another county within the same judicial district if Charleston county is alone in the judicial district? The act would deprive a party of substantial constitutional

rights!" The News and Courier comments

on Mr. Carroll's card as follows: "Mr. Francis F. Carroll, whose communication will be found in another column on this page today, is the second disinterested lawyer to express the opinion that the recent act of the legislature providing for a new judicial circuit is unconstitutional. Mr. E. F. Warren, of Hampton, took the view that the general assembly was without authority under the constitution to transfer a solicitor from one circuit to another, as the act under discussion did. The law-makers ignored his suggestion. It now remains to be seen if the courts will be able to ignore the point raised by Mr. Carroll. If he is right, his objection is certainly one of the utmost gravity. The right under certain venure is fundamental, and Mr. Carroll maintains that no Charleston liti-Charleston a circuit to itself. If Mr. Carroll knows what he is talking

had just started to unbreach his gun connection with this new circuit find it easier to explain to your cus- practiced. His disposition was very when the contents of one of the shells should be passed on immediately. We were discharged, the load taking ef- are inclined to think that of the two papers.". fect as described. This accident has points raised the one brought forcast a gloom over the Aiken winter ward by Mr. Carroll is the more se-

## Palatable Combination.

One day Luther Burbank was walking in his garden, when he was accosted by an officious acquaintance who said:

"Well, what are you working on

"Trying to cross an eggplant and milkweed," said Mr. Burbank. "And what under heaven do you

expect to get from that?" Mr. Burbank calmly resumed his

walk. "Custard pie," he said.

# PRINTERS ARE CATCHING IT

PRICE OF PAPER GOING UP BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS.

War is the Chief Cause .- All Manufacturers of Paper and Other Material Have Raised Prices.

Job printers and stationers are per cent.

### Unprecedented Advances.

January and February witnessed Washington, March 11 .- Former continuous and unprecedented advances in the prices of raw material, and the failure of sulphite importers Mr. Davis was stricken with grippe of raw material on the open market investment of \$12,000 in twenty-five

Manufacturers of high explosives Funeral arrangements were being find that they can buy rags, process of Bull Durham tobacco. He told guncotton at a cast of two cents to suits to protect his trademark, but three cents less per pound than the he added advertising had done the present price of raw cotton, and thus most to make the success of the offer a new outlet for packers of the brand. Mr. Carr said: better grades.

ain, on February 1, placed an embar- sleep for a week. I thought I was go on the export of all paper makers' ruined. But the results justified the materials, and that Sweden placed expenditure, and soon I was spending one on the export of all pulp, has not \$500,000 a year for advertising. helped in holding down prices. Those grades in which new rag cuttings are newspapers, for I had learned that largely employed have had to take the newspaper ad is the best in the the sharpest and heaviest of the ad- world. There is no line of business vances made.

To aggrevate further the situation, the demand for bond and writing and I built up as much trade as my papers has been increasing by leaps two nearest competitors combined and bounds, so that manufacturers by newspaper advertising. My four are sadly behind their orders, and boys are the biggest hosiery manumany, on account of their inability to facturers in the country, and they secure deliveries of raw materials, have relied on newspaper advertisare unable to obtain full production ing to make their success. The first from their mills.

The demand for these grades for but after that you must make your export has reached a point where goods known." prices offered for immediate deliveries are alluring to some of the maining generals who surrendered manufacturers and adds another bull; at Appomattox. He is now lieutenfactor to the general situation.

advanced prices 20 to 30 per cent, business now, having sold out his the market showing examples where tobacco industry in 1898. even heavier advances have been made on medium priced grades heretofore sold at prices slightly under the market for similar qualities.

#### Some Increases Cited. One of the largest paper mills in the country recently wrote as fol-

uncoated papers: "Casein was 6 1/2 cents, now 17 to 23 that morning. cents; alum was 1 cent, now 3 cents;

The color situation grows more dif- member. ficult-some dyes and colors formerly employed are no longer obtainable ways considerate and expressed to at any price. Manufacturers are com- those attending him the hope that pelled to use substitutes, less reliable he was not troubling them. He fell in the matter of uniformity in asleep without a struggle in the early strength and density and variations light of the day. in shade are common and must be The funeral was held from his expected. White paper also must be grandfather's old home, where he expected to show some variation in was born, and the casket was covershade, as practically all whites are ed with flowers. So sudden a death artificial and the delicate corrective came as a great shock to his relatives colors formerly employed are not and friends, but his pure life and his now available.-The State

Full line of Waterman Ideal Fountain Pens, the new self-filing kind, Book Store.

## BORN A SLAVE, DIES RICH.

Levi Kirkland Leaves Estate Worth Probably \$65,000.

Camden, March 11.-Levi Kirkland, one of the best known negroes in this county, and probably the wealthiest negro in this section of the State, died at his home near Westville on March 1. He was quite aged, having been born a slave.

Kirkland, by thrift and wise busivery much disturbed over the uncer- ness judgment, had accumulated tain condition of the market in every- quite a fortune. He paid taxes on thing used in the manufacture of four tracts of land, amounting in all printed work, and of the standard to 3,005 acres, and owned sixty-three lines carried by stationery stores. lots and buildings in the town of Paper prices have advanced sharply, Westville, besides personal property and as a rule rates on printing inks and cash money amounting to around are given only on request, all stand- five thousand dollars. At the time ing quotations being withdrawn. A of his death he had forty bales of prominent ink maker writes that one cotton stored on his farm, and it is ingredient entering into the manufac- estimated that his estate is worth ture of black inks has advanced 300 around \$60,000 to \$70,000. He was a good farmer and was well liked by both races.

## HOW GEN. CAR SUCCEEDED

Says Newspaper Advertising Was Basis of His Success

The story of how newspaper advertising and a trademark built up er grades, to obtain a large portion a fortune of \$4.000.000 from an recently.

Carr was the first manufacturer

"When I signed my first advertis-The further fact that Great Brit- ing contract for \$250,000 I didn't

The biggest part of it went to the that it does not help.

"I was in the banking business, thing, of course, is to have the goods,

General Carr is one of the few reant general of the veterans of the Practically all manufacturers have Confederacy. He is retired from

# BURNS PROVE FATAL.

Frank W. Bean Dies at Home in Georgia.

Clinton, March 14.—On Sunday night, March 5, Dr. W. S. Bean, of this city, was summoned by a tele-"Realizing that it may be difficult phone message to leave for Washingfor you to explain to your customers ton. Ga., where his son, Frank W. the advances in prices of paper, we Bean, had been severely, perhaps are giving you below the old as well fatally, burned. Dr. Bean left at as new prices on various materials 2:30 a. m. Monday, but reached which we use in making coated and Washington about noon, only to find that his son had died about 6 o'clock

The accident occurred Sunday soda ash was 65 cents hundred, now morning while Frank Bean was 21/2 cents pound; rosin was \$3.75 dressing, his night clothing catching barrel, now \$6.50 barrel; bleached fire. In his excitement he ran down sulphite was \$2.65 hundred, now 3 34 | stairs seeking help, which only made to 41/4 cents pound; satin white dry the flames worse. The physicians weight was 5 cents, now 9 cents; reached him very soon and relieved aniline color was 40 cents per pound, the intense pain, and he seemed to now \$20 pound; fourdrinier wire was regain his normal cheerfulness. But 29 cents square foot, now 39 cents; there was no pulse perceptible at his woolen and cotton felts have advanc- wrist, and the injury to so much of ed 10 per cent to 40 per cent; thirds the skin caused a nervous shock and blues were \$1.35 per hundred, from which he never rallied. He now 21/8 cents pound; bleach was was 40 years of age last December 11/4 cents pound, now 7 cents (un- and unmarried. He was a graduate obtainable). If you will make use of of the University of Georgia and had tomers the advance in the cost of generous and unselfish, and he was a consistent Christian and church

During his last hours he was al-

peaceful departure softened their sorrow for his death.

Senator Hoch Schmidt should cotfrom \$2.50 to \$6.50. The Herald ton more to Uncle Sam and less to Kaiser Bill.